Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1.-32. (Canceled)

33. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented method for updating presence information for a user on a network, wherein the user accesses the network via a first client device and a second client device, the method comprising:

prioritizing a plurality of client status identifiers, wherein the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers is ordered from a lowest priority level to a highest priority level;

receiving a first client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the first client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

receiving a second client status identifier from the second client device, wherein the second client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating a first client view with the first client status identifier and a second client view with the second client status identifier;

determining accurate presence information for the user, wherein determining the accurate presence information for the user comprises:

determining that the first client status identifier indicates the accurate presence information for the user when the first client status identifier has a higher priority level than the second client status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;

determining that the second client status identifier indicates the accurate presence information for the user when the second client status identifier has a higher priority level than the first client status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers; and

determining that both the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier indicate the accurate presence information for the user when the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier have a same priority level based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;

populating a master view with the accurate presence information for the user; [[and]]

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information;

receiving a third client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the third client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers and is different from the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier;

populating the first client view with the third client status identifier;

determining that the third client status identifier indicates inaccurate presence information for the user by determining that the third client status identifier has a lower priority level than the second client status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers; and

maintaining the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

34. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method of claim 33, the method further comprising:

receiving an updated client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with the updated client status identifier;

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the updated client status identifier has a higher priority level than the second client status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the master view with the updated client status identifier, wherein the master view indicates the accurate presence information for the user; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

35. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method of claim 33, the method further comprising:

receiving an updated client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with the updated client status identifier;

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the second client status identifier has a higher priority level than the updated client status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the master view with the second client status identifier, wherein the master view indicates the accurate presence information for the user; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

36. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 33, wherein the plurality of client status identifiers includes one or more of: online, offline, away, invisible, busy, back soon, on phone, and at lunch.

37. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 33, wherein the first client view represents presence information of the first client device and the second client view represents presence information of the second client device, wherein the first client view and the second client view are ~~as detected at an~~ associated with the user ~~client~~.

38. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 33, wherein updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information further comprises publishing the accurate presence information to subscribers.

39. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 33, ~~further comprising:~~

~~receiving~~ wherein the first client status identifier [[of]] is an "online" ~~from the first client device, wherein the first client status identifier is one of the plurality of~~ client status identifier[[s;]],

~~receiving~~ the second client status identifier [[of]] is an "online" ~~from the second client device, wherein the second client status identifier is one of the plurality of~~ client status identifier[[s;]],

~~populating the first client view with "online" and the second client view with "online";~~

~~determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the first client status identifier of "online" has a same priority level as the second client status identifier of "online" based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers, wherein the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier indicate the accurate presence information for the user;~~

~~populating the master view with "online";~~

~~receiving an updated~~ the third client status identifier [[of]] is either an "idle" or "offline" ~~from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier is one of the plurality of~~ client status identifier[[s;]], and

~~populating the first client view with "offline";~~

~~determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the second client status identifier of "online" has a higher priority level than the updated client status identifier of "offline" based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers; and~~

~~maintaining "online" in the master view, wherein~~ the master view indicates the accurate presence information as "online" for the user.

40. Canceled.

41. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented method for updating presence information for a user on a network, wherein the user accesses the network via a first client device and a second client device, the method comprising:

prioritizing a plurality of client status identifiers, wherein the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers is ordered from a lowest priority level to a highest priority level;

receiving a first client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the first client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

receiving a second client status identifier from the second client device, wherein the second client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating a first client view with the first client status identifier and a second client view with the second client status identifier;

determining accurate presence information for the user comprising determining whether the first client status identifier or the second client status identifier has a higher priority level based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers, wherein a client status identifier having a higher priority level indicates the accurate presence information for the user;

populating a master view with the accurate presence information; [[and]]

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information;

receiving a third client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the third client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers and is different from the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier;

populating the first client view with the third client status identifier;

determining inaccurate presence information for the user by determining that the third client status identifier has a lower priority level than the second client status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers; and

maintaining the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

42.-43. Canceled.

44. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 41, wherein the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers include one or more user-defined client status identifiers.

45. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 41, wherein the first client view represents presence information of the first client device and the second client view represents presence information of the second client device, wherein the first client view and the second client view are ~~as detected at an~~ associated with the user~~client~~.

46. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 41, wherein updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information further comprises publishing the accurate presence information to subscribers.

47.-48. Canceled.

49. (Currently Amended) A computer system for updating presence information for a user on a network, wherein the user accesses the network via a first client device and a second client device, comprising:

at least one processor; and

at least one memory, communicatively coupled to the at least one processor and containing instructions that, when executed by the at least one processor, perform a method, comprising:

prioritizing a plurality of client status identifiers, wherein the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers is ordered from a lowest priority level to a highest priority level;

receiving a first client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the first client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

receiving a second client status identifier from the second client device, wherein the second client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating a first client view with the first client status identifier and a second client view with the second client status identifier;

determining accurate presence information for the user comprising determining whether the first client status identifier or the second client status identifier has a higher priority level based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers, wherein a client status identifier having a higher priority level indicates the accurate presence information for the user;

populating a master view with the accurate presence information; [[and]]

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information;

receiving a third client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the third client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers and is different from the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier;

populating the first client view with the third client status identifier;

determining that the third client status identifier indicates inaccurate presence information for the user by determining that the third client status identifier has a lower priority level than the second client status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers; and

maintaining the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

50. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 49, further comprising:

receiving an updated client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with the updated client status identifier;

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the updated client status identifier has the higher priority level than the second client status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the master view with the updated client status identifier wherein the master view indicates the accurate presence information for the user; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

51. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 49, further comprising:

receiving an updated client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with the updated client status identifier;

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the second client status identifier has the higher priority level than the updated client status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the master view with the second client status identifier, wherein the master view indicates the accurate presence information for the user; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

52. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 49, wherein the plurality of client status identifiers include one or more of: online, offline, away, invisible, busy, back soon, on phone, and at lunch.

53. (Currently Amended) The computer system of claim 49, wherein the first client view represents presence information of the first client device and the second client view represents presence information of the second client device, wherein the first client view and the second client view are ~~as detected at an~~ associated with the user~~client~~.

54. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 49, wherein updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information further comprises publishing the accurate presence information to subscribers.

55. (Currently Amended) The computer system of claim 49, ~~further comprising:~~

~~receiving~~ wherein the first client status identifier [[of]] is an "online" ~~from the first client device, wherein the first client status identifier of "online" is one of the plurality of~~ client status identifier[[s;]],

~~receiving~~ the second client status identifier [[of]] is an "online" ~~from the second client device, wherein the second client status identifier of "online" is one of the plurality of~~ client status identifier[[s;]],

~~populating the first client view with "online" and the second client view with "online";~~

~~determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the first client status identifier of "online" has a same priority level as the second client status identifier of "online" based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers, wherein the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier indicate the accurate presence information for the user;~~

~~populating the master view with "online";~~

~~receiving an updated~~ the third client status identifier [[of]] is either an "idle" or "offline" ~~from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier of "offline" is one of the plurality of~~ client status identifier[[s;]], and

~~populating the first client view with "offline";~~

~~determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the second client status identifier of "online" has a higher priority level than the updated client status identifier of "offline" based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers; and~~

~~maintaining "online" in the master view, wherein~~ the master view indicates the accurate presence information as "online" for the user.

56. Canceled.